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Court rules against ID scanner

NIGHTCLUBS A Calgary nightclub owner has mixed feelings about a Court of Queen's Bench decision to uphold a decision to disallow an ID scanner at the front door of Tantra nightclub.

Paul Vickers, owner of Penny Lane Entertainment, said he is disappointed the appeal didn't work in his favour but is hoping Bill 42 will pass, which would allow bars to scan driver's licences at their doors.

"I reserve judgment for now. We obviously need to have it. I just hope Bill 42 gets through and covers it off," Vickers said yesterday.

Last year, Alberta's Privacy Commissioner ordered Tantra to stop scanning the cards. **METRO CALGARY**

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Klassen serves up smiles

\$184M in budget cuts

Many of the city's capital projects could be delayed or eliminated

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City council will have to pull out the calculators after a projected \$184-million cut to this year's capital budget was announced yesterday.

Council was forced to axe millions at the City Finance Committee

meeting because there isn't as much revenue coming in from the province in the form of fuel tax and the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI), finance committee chair Ald. Gord Lowe said.

"Our source of revenue has changed. MSI money will still come but over a longer period of time, and people are buying less fuel so it means

less revenue," Lowe said.

Lowe said consequences will include project deferral, project renegotiation and other projects could be eliminated completely.

Council has yet to determine which projects will be affected,

Lowe added.

Ward 12 Ald. Ric McIver said the capital cuts disprove the saying "growth doesn't pay for itself."

"It's because of a lack of growth that we need to make these cuts now," McIver said. "Growth is something that is a big benefit

to our city."

McIver said he will have to see the numbers and dollars in front of him before he comments on particular projects. However, there is at least one on top of his list to go.

"The \$25-million pedestrian bridges should go. We can do without those and I don't think too many people would be upset," he said.



Ald. Gord Lowe



Canadian actor Bruce Greenwood, centre, poses on the red carpet with Vulcan town councillors before a special screening of the new Star Trek movie in Calgary last night. 300 residents of the town were bused into Calgary for the screening. **Read Metro's review, pg 21.**

Vulcans beaming about Star Trek flick

SCREENING They didn't beam Scotty up to Vulcan, but for residents of the small town it was a nice consolation prize.

Vulcan Mayor Tom Grant and 300 Vulcan residents were transported by bus to the Chinook Centre for a Paramount Pictures special screening of the new Star

Trek movie last night.

"It's not a movie premiere in the town, but it's a really close second. This is such an exciting opportunity for the town," Grant said.

Grant and the town were lobbying for the premiere of the movie for the past year with the help of original Star Trek actor Leonard

Nimoy.

"This has been a long time coming," Grant added. Star Trek fans Clydine, 61, and Al Grenier, 50, have been fans since they were children and dressed up for the occasion. They were two of many wearing pointy ears and raised eyebrows in celebration of the movie.

"This has been in our family for generations. It's the past, present and the future," Clydine said.

The Town of Vulcan, 120 kilometres southeast of Calgary, is world-renowned for its annual Star Trek convention and Spock Days every June.

KRISTA SYLVESTER/METRO CALGARY

Four more cases of flu in Alberta

HEALTH Alberta Health Services has confirmed four more cases of Influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, in Alberta yesterday, which now brings the province's total to 30.

A male adult and a female child who recently travelled to Mexico are showing mild symptoms of the flu in Edmonton, while another Edmonton male adult with no travel history is also showing mild symptoms of the flu, said Alberta Health Services.

A female from northern Alberta, who has no travel history, is showing mild symptoms, said health officials.

So far there are 13 cases from Calgary and eight from the Edmonton area.

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Three found dead in home

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Local



Aerosmith coming to town

Rock and Roll Hall of Famers Aerosmith, including singer Steve Tyler, left, and ZZ Top are playing at Calgary's McMahon Stadium Aug. 13, 2009. Tickets will be between \$115 and \$199 and go on sale Saturday. Also available are ZZ Top Meet and Greet Packages for \$499. **METRO CALGARY**

News in brief

ATTACK Three males were assaulted while walking in an alley near Seattle Drive SW, police said. According to police the three males were age 15, 17 and 20, and were approached from behind by four unknown people. The four attackers assaulted the men and then fled on foot, said police. Police said one of the victims had been taken to hospital where he was treated and released.

PHOTO Calgary police have released a photo of 48-year-old Ronald Thomas Manyguns, who is suspected of assaulting his girlfriend on May 2. On Saturday morning the victim's four-year-old daughter had alerted neighbours to the woman's need for help, likely saving her



Ronald Manyguns

life. The woman is now recovering in hospital after suffering head wounds from being badly beaten. Manyguns is wanted on warrants for aggravated assault, assault with a weapon, forcible confinement, uttering threats and common assaults.

ASSAULT A woman was assaulted while jogging in the vicinity of Dalhurst Gate near 53 Street NW, said police. According to police the woman was in her 20s and was grabbed from behind by a large man. Police said the woman was struggling to free herself when the man pushed her to the ground and then ran away. The woman suffered minor injuries, said police.

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Engineering a change

Constructing weirs will have good and bad impacts, says expert

SHOBHAN O'BEIRNE
for Metro Calgary



The pelicans you see gathered at the Bow River next to Memorial Drive might not be there much longer.

In the winter, the City of Calgary began construction on weir structures engineered to raise water levels. This will have both positive and negative effects on the surrounding ecosystem, according to a local expert.

"Effectively (the weir) has created a barrier to upstream fish migration," said Mac Hickley, manager of the River Valleys Committee for Parks Foundation Calgary.

This has stopped the flow of fish on the river, creating a buildup of river fish making it easy fishing grounds for the pelicans.

"The development itself will have a positive impact on the fisheries," said Hickley. "It may result in the

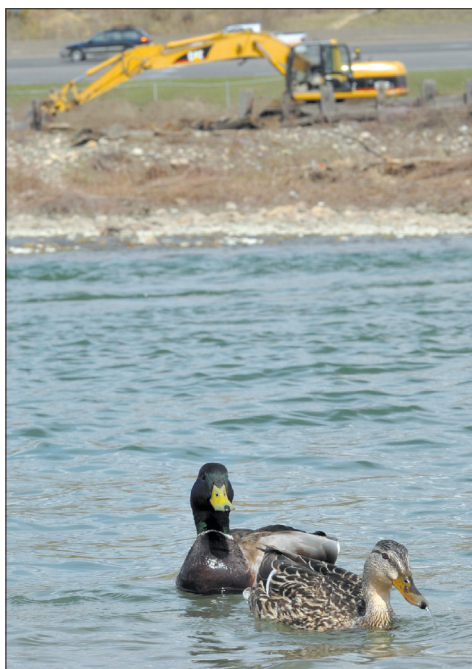
pelicans dispersing from that area. But the pelicans congregating there was never a natural occurrence."

The plans for the Bow River are also going to open up the lower part of the river to rafters, canoes and kayakers, upon project completion in 2011.

Until now the weir has been referred to as a "drowning machine," falling off into the water at the weir leads to an almost certain death.

The increase of human traffic down the river may also have an effect. "From what I've gathered rafters do not have a huge effect on the fish except the litter that they leave behind," Hickley told Metro.

The connection between the two parts of the river far outweighs the temporary environmental effect of construction. Hickley said, "In a couple years (the construction) will be over and nature can take its course."



Ducks swim near the weir construction area yesterday.

JOHN KUNISZ FOR METRO CALGARY

Police link bank robberies

SUSPECT Police believe the same suspect is responsible for two separate bank robberies within two hours on Tuesday.

Robbery Staff Sgt. Keith Cain said a person matching the same description may have robbed the TD Canada Trust in the 300 block of 17 Ave. SE and the TD Canada Trust in the 4400 block at 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. respectively.

"It's certainly possible it's the same person with matching descriptions using the surveillance tape," Cain said.

The suspect is described as Caucasian male, 35 years old, five-foot-10 to six-foot-three, medium build, with a beard and a mustache. He was wearing a black hat, black sunglasses, a grey hoodie and jeans. **METRO CALGARY**

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What's online today.

Video Paramedics patrol the airport on Segways at metronews.ca/local/Blogs Style columnist Kenya Hunt finally joins Twitter and Hollywood Rants honours Dom DeLuise's true legacy ... the Cannonball Run blooper reel

Lotteries

Lotto 6/49: 1, 4, 9, 20, 30 & 44. Bonus 18. These results are not official.

Hiring fair aims to help young people find jobs

AMY GREGSON
for Metro Calgary



Julie Tran said she has had a hard time even finding a part-time job.

Tran, 20, has applied to about 10 places in the last two weeks in sales or retail

jobs, but has now started to expand her options.

"I thought I'd get into the restaurant industry because they are always hiring for waitressing, but apparently not," said Tran, who was at the Youth Employment Centre yesterday.

The Centre is holding its

11th annual Summer Hiring Fair to help youth land a job.

"There is a lot more competition in the market right now especially for positions for young people," said Lisa Wieser, community relations liaison for the Youth Employment Centre.

"There is still a lot of opportunity that youth can take advantage of," said Wieser.

The fair will allow youth the opportunity to network with more than 75 employers and runs from 1:30 to 6 p.m. at the Big Four Building.

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The Oprah Winfrey Show hosted a 13-year-old boy from Drayton Valley yesterday to discuss his experiences as a victim of bullying. Oprah's website said the show conducted an emergency intervention on behalf of the 13-year-old Albertan. **METRO CALGARY**

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Serving up smiles

Olympian Klassen helps at McHappy Day

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JOEL MESSNER
for Metro Calgary

Cindy Klassen, Canada's two-time female athlete of the year, turned in her skates for a spatula and grill yesterday as she picked up a shift at McDonald's.

Klassen, along with local TV anchors, was at the Westhills McDonald's location serving customers for McHappy Day to raise money for local children's charities.

The multiple Olympic gold medalist also found McHappy Day was an excellent chance to meet some of her fans.

"It's going to be fun to talk to customers and interact with people," said Klassen. "It's going to be a different experience going from sports to working at McDonald's."

"People want to see these VIPs who are well-



Canadian Olympic champion Cindy Klassen serves up soft ice cream yesterday at the Westhills McDonald's, donating her time for McHappy Day and raising money for local children's charities.

known in the community, and this is people's chance to see them face to face," said Laurier Baillargeon, the Calgary and area marketing manager for McDonald's. "People want to

come out and see them, and it helps the event."

One dollar from every Egg McMuffin, Big Mac and Happy Meal sold was donated to local children's charities.

GPS maps to help off-road users

RECREATION Alberta off-road users are going to get some extra help finding their way around.

According to the Sustainable Resource Development, off-road users will now have access to off-road maps through GPS.

The goal of providing these maps is to keep off-roaders away from environmentally sensitive areas, according to the Sustainable Resource Development.

The Sustainable Resource Development said it currently only works with Garmin GPS units.

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News in brief

FORT MCLEOD A 17-year-old Fort McLeod boy has been charged with second-degree murder in his mother's gruesome death. While the autopsy of a 34-year-old woman is still being conducted, reports say she was killed with an axe. The name of the victim and suspect will not be released by the RCMP. The teen appeared in Fort McLeod Provincial Court yesterday.

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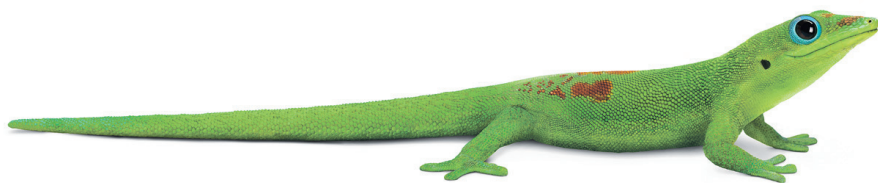
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Canada



Canada soft on asylum: Czech PM

Canada is soft on asylum seekers, and ends up being targeted by certain groups as a result, Czech Republic Prime Minister Mirek Topolánek charges. In April, Canada granted asylum to 84 Czech asylum seekers, all of them Roma — once called gypsies — who are often persecuted across Europe. Last year, 853 Czech citizens, all Romani, sought refugee status in Canada.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

PM chides Russia over expulsions

DIPLOMACY Prime Minister Stephen Harper has lambasted Russia for expelling two Canadian diplomats, saying it puts further strain on Canada's relationship with Moscow. "It's not a cold war but it's not the ideal relationship either. We would like the Russians to behave in a more acceptable manner," Harper said yesterday.

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News in brief

AVIATION Canada and the European Union signed an "open skies" pact yesterday under which airlines will be able to fly freely between any airport in the EU and Canada.

ILLNESS A second strain of influenza may have mutated and may be complicating the picture in Mexico, Canadian researchers reported yesterday.

REUTERS

Ottawa Timeless fashion



A model poses at a preview of Richard Robinson's 2009 collection outside the Sussex Drive shop in Ottawa yesterday. This year, the haute couture designer celebrates 40 years in fashion.

TRACEY TONG/METRO CANADA

Recession stress

Economic downturn raising anxiety: Survey

Stressed-out Canadians are losing sleep over the protracted economic meltdown, a survey showed yesterday, and that's translating into heightened anxiety and a drop in productivity on the job.

About one-third of 1,062 employees surveyed by Desjardins Financial Security said they are more stressed than a year ago, with economic worries being the main cause. Another 30 per cent confessed they were suffering from tension-related symptoms such as anxiety, headaches and a lack of sleep.

Workers are fearful the recession will last longer than economists have predicted, with 47 per cent believing the downturn will

"Productivity can have a significant impact on an organization's bottom line."

Michele Nowski, Desjardins

extend well into next year.

Many employees are logging longer hours at the office, but productivity is suffering as recession-weary workers buckle under the stress, said Michele Nowski, director of disability claims and disability management with Desjardins, which specializes in insurance and retirement savings products.

"Productivity can have a significant impact on an or-

ganization's bottom line, and while the employee may not necessarily be absent from work, they may not be present 100 per cent," Nowski said.

The survey also noted mental health issues are now the fastest growing reason for days lost in the workplace.

Health officials became alarmed when stories about marital strife, substance abuse and a rise in depression increased as the economy worsened in the U.S., said Taylor Alexander, chief executive of the Canadian Mental Health Association's national office.

"People think the future looks pretty grim and they are worried that things may not turn around." **REUTERS**

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Libyan convicted in Lockerbie bombing must drop appeal to return home: Scotland
A Libyan jailed in Scotland for his role in the 1988 Lockerbie bombing will not be repatriated unless the man drops an appeal against his conviction, Scottish officials said. Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi, who is terminally ill with cancer, is the only person convicted of the 1988 airplane bombing. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

World



U.K.'s G.I. Joes back in action

With their swivelling eyes, gripping rubber hands and lifelike features, Action Man toy soldiers, the British equivalent of G.I. Joe, were the pride and joy of British boys for decades. Production stopped in the 1990s, but the British Ministry of Defence has recently unveiled its own version of the action figures, the HM Armed Forces dolls. **REUTERS**

Clinton regrets Afghan deaths

The United States offered its regrets yesterday for the deaths of Afghan civilians as it brought together the presidents of Afghanistan and Pakistan to get them to co-operate against the Taliban.

The Red Cross said dozens of Afghans died after U.S.-led airstrikes this week, while local officials said more than 100 civilians may have been killed, a figure that would make it among the deadliest days for Afghan civilians since the fall of the Taliban in

2001.

U.S. President Barack Obama was to meet Pakistan's Asif Ali Zardari and Afghanistan's Hamid Karzai yesterday amid U.S. doubts about both men's capability to tackle the Taliban. Civilian casualties caused by U.S. operations in both countries have made it harder for them to work with the U.S.

"We deeply, deeply regret that loss," U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said at a meeting with Karzai and Zardari. **REUTERS**

Australia Best job in the world



The winner of the Best Job in the World competition, Ben Southall of Britain, right, sits on a mermaid statue yesterday. Southall won \$110,000 US and the role of "island caretaker" on the Great Barrier Reef in the tourism promotion contest. **TOURISM QUEENSLAND / REUTERS**

Flu Outbreak: WHO advises against eating infected pork

- Meat from pigs infected with the influenza A (H1N1) virus, also known as swine flu, should not be eaten by humans, the World Health Organization said yesterday. Other groups have said the flu is not food-borne, but the WHO stated it was possible for the viruses to survive freezing and remain in thawed meat.

- The Canadian Food Inspection Agency said yesterday pigs that have been infected with the virus would be allowed to enter the human food supply once the animals had recovered.

- Mexico stirred back to normal life after a five-day shutdown of businesses due to the virus. Traffic and pedestrians

again clogged the streets, even as the confirmed death toll there hit 42.

- Sweden found its first case in a woman in her 50s who visited Chicago and had tested positive for the virus. Poland also recorded its first case.

- The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has received eight million hits on its website daily as news of the outbreak spreads, and is turning to social media sites like YouTube, Twitter and podcasting to reach the public.

- WHO experts will meet next week to consider whether drugmakers should switch from seasonal to pandemic flu production in response to the new strain. **REUTERS**

News in brief

NEPAL About 1,000 stone-throwing Maoist protesters clashed with police yesterday as political parties struggled to

form a new government. Major parties tried to woo the former rebels to help form a coalition after their leader quit as

prime minister on Monday. **GERMANY** Gunther von Hagens' global Body Worlds show of "plastinated" human

cadavers, which features a preserved man and woman having sex, has German politicians in an uproar. **REUTERS**

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Love's irrational yearning

Relating

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When Megan McAllister initially chose to stand by her fiancé, Philip Markoff, many questioned why, given the charges he faces, she would defend him.

Markoff was linked to the catchy but unenviable nickname of "the Craigslist Killer" after allegedly trolling the erotic services section of the site for victims, luring them to hotel rooms, binding their hands with plastic cuffs and robbing them at gunpoint.

He is accused of killing

"It is a self-defence mechanism, no doubt — one intended to keep a person from emotional obliteration — but yields more productive results after it fades."

New York masseuse Julissa Brisman in a Boston hotel room after she resisted.

McAllister, it appears, did what many do after a relationship takes a traumatic turn and went spiralling into a pit of momentary lunacy, in which reason and logic are overpowered by an irrational yearning to return to a reality that no longer exists. When Markoff was charged with murder, for example, the 25-year-old told the Boston Herald: "I will stand by Philip as I know he is innocent. I love him now and always will."

When police suspected a connection between the murder and two other rob-

beries from hotel rooms in Boston and Rhode Island, McAllister told the Herald he was "intelligent, loyal and the best fiancé a woman could ask for."

Their wedding was called off, but there was clearly no shortage of praise.

Then it was revealed Markoff hid 16 pairs of underwear under the bed they shared — mementos, police said, from the victims. Those were found along with a gun, believed to be the one used to kill Brisman, and about 60 pairs of flex-cuff restraints. The gushing statements dwindled.

A strange thing happens

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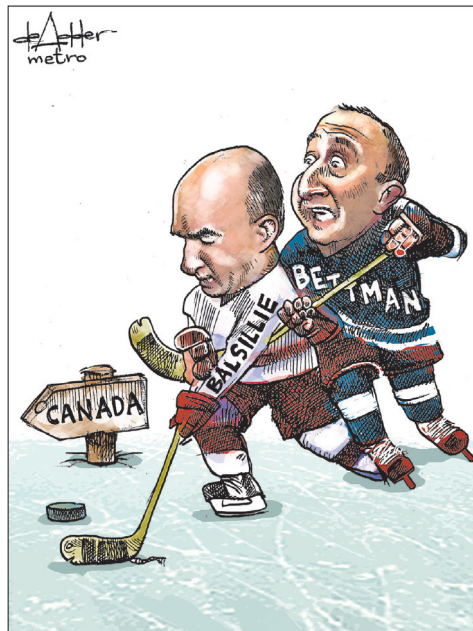
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to a mind when it is jolted awake from a long slumber of lies. For some frenzied period, it can render a person blind to scathing truth.

It is a self-defence mechanism, no doubt — one intended to keep a person from emotional obliteration — but yields more productive results after it fades and gives way to sound reasoning and common sense.

Two weeks after Markoff was charged with murder, McAllister's lawyer Robert Honecker Jr. announced that she is "moving on with her life," sans Markoff.

Andrea Woo is a Vancouver-based news and entertainment reporter. She won this column in a carnival dart game.



MICHAEL DI ADORNI

Views

Offering shelter from a violent storm



Beverley Wybrow

Violence against women remains a critical issue in Canada: It affects not only the safety, potential and equality of women across Canada, but also children and young people.

Though domestic homicides have declined by half over the last 30 years, there are still one to two women murdered every week, and that is only the tip of the iceberg: Every year in Canada, more than 100,000 women and children seek refuge in a shelter, at least one in five teens in Canada experience dating violence and up to 360,000 children in Canada witness violence in their home.

So what is the answer to

ending violence against women in Canada? At the Canadian Women's Foundation, we believe the answer is twofold: We must provide short- and long-term support to women and children who have already experienced abuse, so they can heal and rebuild their lives; and we must prevent it from happening in the first place by changing the attitudes and beliefs that lead to abusive behaviour.

The Canadian Women's Foundation funds initiatives in shelters and community organizations across Canada that work along the full continuum of ending violence against women: This includes teaching young people about healthy relationships, personal boundaries and mutual respect; providing shelter to women fleeing abuse; counselling children who have wit-

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- Listen to the Shelter from the Storm radio-athon today between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. on participating radio stations.

Funds raised will support more than 450 shelters for abused women across Canada, long-term support services that help women and children rebuild their lives after abuse, and violence prevention programs that are breaking the cycle of abuse.

Beverley Wybrow is the president and CEO of the Canadian Women's Foundation, which is dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls in Canada. For more, visit canadianwomen.org.

Letters

Skateboarding should be encouraged, not banned

Re: 800 students petition to end skateboard ban (April 29)

I am former female skateboarder and I must say how deeply disappointed I am in the school board.

First of all, it is none of the board's business if a teen rides a skateboard to school. It's eco-friendly transportation and a form of exercise, which are two very important issues for kids.

Also, skateboarding may only have a small niche, but it is an important niche! The kids that skate tend to dislike team sports — high school fitness is all about team sports. Skaters then have their own community, their own sense of comradeship! We have an opportunity here to make a difference in kids' lives!

Let's tell all the Melanie Smiths in the world that these are the reasons skate-

boarders must fight for their right to skate!

TARA O'REILLY, CALGARY

Society may be missing online warning signs

Re: Moralists eye Craigslist (April 29)

I absolutely love this article. Paul Sullivan sums up perfectly just how uneducated people are about the web.

Has society missed the banner that all the bad guys have hung up, saying, "Hey look, I'm over here, getting pictures of your kid off the Internet and learning all the intricate details of your life?"

Craigslist founder Craig Newmark should not be the one with a lawsuit on his hands. As sad as it is that this happened to this poor girl, Newmark was not the one who murdered her, or told anyone to stalk her. If this classified ad had been in a newspaper, how do we know someone wouldn't have found her that way instead?

BRENDA MACDONALD, CALGARY

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Legislation aimed at reversing a three-year-old ban on Americans placing online bets was introduced yesterday by U.S. House Financial Services Committee chairman Barney Frank. The act would establish a federal regulatory and enforcement framework for online gaming. **REUTERS**

Bill unveiled to reverse U.S. online gambling ban

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TSX hits 10,000 mark

Optimism fuels highest close since November

Toronto's main stock index shot past 10,000 points to its highest close in six months yesterday as resource and financial issues led a rally fuelled by optimism that the global economy is stabilizing.

Aiding the sentiment was stronger-than-expected economic data from Canada and the United States, particularly a private-sector U.S. employment report that showed job losses slowed dramatically last month.

The S&P/TSX composite index finished up 262.71 points, or 2.7 per cent, at 10,143.43.

"It's very important because investors use nice round numbers like 10,000 as benchmarks on where the market is."

Kate Warne, strategist

Seven of the index's 10 main sectors rose. The energy and materials groups climbed 4.8 per cent and 2.9 per cent respectively, while the financial group gained 3.1 per cent.

Those sectors make up

nearly three-quarters of the index's weighting, and helped push the market to its highest intraday level since Nov. 5, and its highest close since Nov. 4.

"I think, psychologically, it's very important because investors use nice round numbers like 10,000 as benchmarks on where the market is," said Kate Warne, Canadian market strategist at Edward Jones.

However, Warne is wary of calling the end of the market downturn.

"Nobody knows, ever, what the market is going to do short-term," she added.

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Business in brief

RETAIL Wal-Mart agreed to improve its post-Thanksgiving Day crowd control as a condition of avoiding criminal prosecution in the death of a secu-

rity guard in a stampede at a Long Island store.

ENERGY Oil major Shell said yesterday it has formally with-

drawn a three-year plan for energy exploration in Alaska's Beaufort Sea after it was stymied by environmental litigation.

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Building, purchasing data beat expectations

REPORTS Canadian building permit and purchasing managers data came in much stronger than expected yesterday, boosting the currency and hopes the country's economic slide could be slowing.

Economists and political leaders called the data encouraging, but also warned investors shouldn't presume a much-hoped-for economic rebound is necessarily under way.

"This is a good sign but we have to keep working very, very hard to make sure that any signs of recovery take," federal Industry Minister Tony Clement told reporters.

A report showed the value of building permits surged by 23.5 per cent in March from February after five months of declines.

It was the largest month-on-month increase since the 28.7 per cent gain recorded in March 2007.

Another sign the economy is improving was the release of the Ivey Purchasing Managers Index, which rose to 53.7 in April from 43.2 in March.

A reading of 50 indicates that activity remained flat from the preceding month, while a higher reading indicates an increase and a lower reading reflects a slowing or decrease.

REUTERS

Bell to offer Palm Pre smartphone

WIRELESS Palm Inc. said yesterday that Bell Mobility would start selling its upcoming Pre smartphone in the second half of this year.

Bell is the second carrier after Sprint Nextel Corp. to announce that it would sell Pre, which is seen as Palm's best bet to recoup market share lost to rivals like Apple Inc.'s iPhone.

UBS analyst Maynard Um said the news was reassuring for Palm investors, who had been anxious to hear of additional carrier distributors for Pre.

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Hitmen not out yet

The Calgary Hitmen avoided elimination in the Western Hockey League final by beating the Kelowna Rockets 6-2 last night. The Rockets lead the series 3-1. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Sports

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OT fun for Pens, Canes

Stanley Cup
2009 Playoffs

Kris Letang's goal with 8:37 left in overtime lifted the Pittsburgh Penguins to a 3-2 win over the Washington Capitals in Game 3 of their Eastern Conference semifinal series in Pittsburgh.

Sidney Crosby won a right-circle draw back to Mark Eaton, who dished to Letang for a rocket one-timer at the point. The shot deflected off the inside of the leg of Caps defenceman Shaone Morrisonn, changed direction, and hit the net on the short side.

Letang also contributed a helper for the Penguins, who cut their deficit to 2-1 and have a chance even the best-of-seven matchup at home on Friday. Ruslan Fedotenko and Evgeni Malkin lit the lamp, and Marc-Andre Fleury needed just 21 saves



Evgeni Malkin celebrates his third period goal last night.

3-2

The final score of both overtime affairs last night.

for the victory. Alex Ovechkin picked up a goal and one assist while Nicklas Backstrom also scored for the Capitals.

Hurricanes 3, Bruins 2 (OT)

Jussi Jokinen scored 2:48 into the first overtime, his second game-winner of the playoffs, and Carolina gained a 2-1 series lead with a 3-2 triumph over Boston in Game 3 of this Eastern Conference semifinal bout

in Raleigh.

Jokinen, who had just seven goals in 71 games during the regular season, notched his fifth of these playoffs and added an assist in quickly becoming a clutch postseason performer. Eric Staal collected his team-leading seventh goal and 10th point during the playoffs, logging the first power-play goal of this series in the process for Carolina, which is now a perfect 6-0 in the postseason when Staal scores.

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NBA Playoffs **Celts smoke Magic**



Boston's Eddie House and Stephon Marbury celebrate during a timeout against the Orlando Magic last night. The Celtics won 112-94 to square their Eastern Conference semifinal series at game apiece. For a recap of Game 2 of the Rockets/Lakers series, visit www.metronews.ca/sports.

U.S. teams may cut ticket prices

ECONOMY U.S. sports fans could see deeper cuts in ticket prices for their favorite teams, officials from the major sports leagues said yesterday, as the recession threatens attendance at costly new stadiums. Already, a number of top sports teams have begun to cut prices, with the New York Yankees last week announcing the organization would lower the cost of buying premium seats to help fill the shiny new \$1.5-billion US ballpark.

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Balsillie vs. Bettman, again

NHL commissioner Gary Bettman and Jim Balsillie appear to be heading for another showdown over the BlackBerry billionaire's brash attempt to purchase the cash-strapped Phoenix Coyotes.

A day after the Coyotes filed bankruptcy papers and Balsillie tabled a \$212.5-million US offer to buy the struggling franchise and move it to Southern Ontario, Bettman was throwing up roadblocks.

Speaking on a panel on The Future of Sports, hosted by the Wall Street Journal, Bettman said he doubted Balsillie would gain approval from league owners to purchase the team, and that the league planned to keep the floundering franchise in Phoenix.

"We generally avoid relocating a franchise unless you absolutely have to. When a franchise is in trouble you try to fix the problems. That's what we did in Pittsburgh and Ottawa and Buffalo.

"We fix the problems,

Another team

Where, exactly?

• Hamilton Mayor Fred Eisenberger said his city was prepared to do whatever it could to try to land an NHL team in light of a \$212.5-million US offer by Research in Motion tycoon Jim Balsillie to buy the bankrupt Phoenix Coyotes if he can move them to Southern Ontario. The league has historically opposed adding another team to Southern Ontario, given Hamilton's proximity to both Toronto and Buffalo.

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we don't run out on cities."

It marks the third time Balsillie and Bettman have clashed over the Research in Motion chief's efforts to acquire an NHL franchise.

Balsillie has made attempts to

"This is not about whether or not we want a franchise in Southern Ontario. This is about the league rules."

Gary Bettman

purchase the Pittsburgh Penguins and then the Nashville Predators, but saw the latter deal scuttled when it became clear he planned to move the Predators to Hamilton and brazenly started selling season ticket packages, a move that incurred Bettman's wrath.

"In the past, selling tickets in a place where we don't have a franchise, or a franchise he didn't own, interaction he's had with a variety of our owners, I don't know whether or not he could get approved (for NHL ownership)," said

Bettman.

"This is not about whether or not we want a franchise in southern Ontario. This is about the league rules."

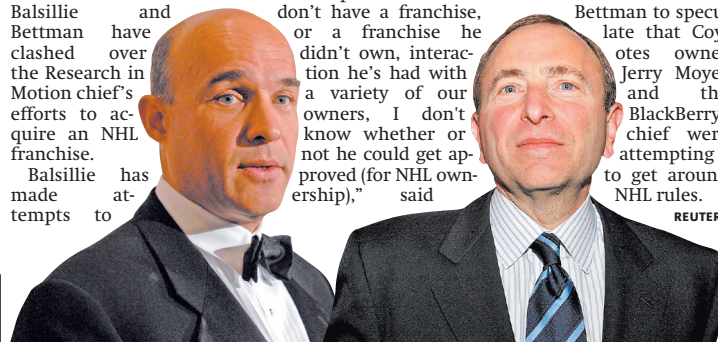
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The number of people who had registered on Balsillie's website, makeitseven.ca, by 3 p.m. yesterday.

The Phoenix Coyotes filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in federal bankruptcy court in Arizona on Tuesday.

The bankruptcy filing included a proposed sale of the franchise to Balsillie, leading Bettman to speculate that Coyotes owner Jerry Moyes and the BlackBerry chief were attempting to get around NHL rules.

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Mother's Day GIFT GUIDE

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Gifts that pamper

JANINE FALCON
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This year, Mom has probably cut back on some of her must-haves, so Mother's Day is a good time to help out with love, yes?

Go luxe with a fancy lipstick such as **Guerlain's Rouge Jewel Lipstick** (\$48, Guerlain counters). Or maybe restock Mom's skin care — **Dermalogica Daily Microfoliant** (\$70), a gentle exfoliating powder and beauty-editor fave, is on a lot of better-budget-times wishlists. Or go natural with **Consonant Body Organic** soaps, body washes or lotions (from \$12, consonantbody.com).

Beauty kits make great gift cents these days. An **H2O+ Sea Salt Gift Set** brings the beach to the bathroom with Sea Salt body wash, foaming body polish and more (\$30, h2oplus.com). **CARGO's 7 in 7 kit** contains everything Mom needs to be gorgeous in seven minutes, from concealer/foundation to

lash treatment to gloss (\$59, Sephora). For new mothers, **Mama Mio's You're Amazing! New Mama Kit** includes a rich body cream, relaxing-scent candle and a wee temperature-regulating snuggle cap for baby (\$51, The Bay).

Help Mom become her own best makeup artist. **Physicians Formula Shimmer Strips** eye shadow palettes for blue, green, hazel and brown eyes come with how-tos for three looks from natural to dramatic (\$15.79, drugstores); the **Smashbox Beauty Guru palette** has blush, bronzer, four eye shadows and four lip colours, plus application instructions (\$54, Sephora).

Perfume is always a luxurious gift. Earth-friendly **Demeter Vintage Naturals** include Rosebush, Mimosa and Geranium scents and are made with natural essential oils and corn-based alcohol (\$68 each, Sephora). **Elizabeth Arden Pretty** is a youthful floral with

fruity topnotes and a warm amber finish (\$63, department stores). **Marc Jacobs**

Summer Splashes in Rain, Cucumber and Lemon are light, sophisticated odes to warm-weather fun (\$80 each, Holt Renfrew).

Book Mom in for a **Kérastase salon treatment**, which involves a hair consultation, pro-administered shampoo, conditioner, texture-specific boosting treatment, and a bliss-out head massage. New this year is Volumorphose, designed to add body to fine hair, and Oléo Relax Slim, which puts a lock on thick, dry, disobedient hair (about \$35; call 1-866-KERASTASE for salons).

Mom's tired hands and feet could use some TLC. "Reflexology is pressure-point massage on feet and hands which also releases body tension and stiffness," says Rose Husen, RMT and reflexologist at Concepts Salon & Spa (pricing varies between spas or independent therapists, but generally starts at about \$45 for 30 minutes).

Clockwise, from top: Marc Jacobs Summer Splashes, \$80 each; Dermallogica Daily Microfoliant, \$70; and CARGO's 7 in 7 kit, \$59.



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World Fair Trade Day events will take place in over 70 countries, including Canada. Ten Thousand Villages, Canada's oldest and largest Fair Trade organization, is one place where you will be sure to find Fair Trade Day celebrations. The store on Crowchild Trail N.W., for example, will be welcoming customers with live entertainment, product samplings, special discounts, gifts, prizes and more.

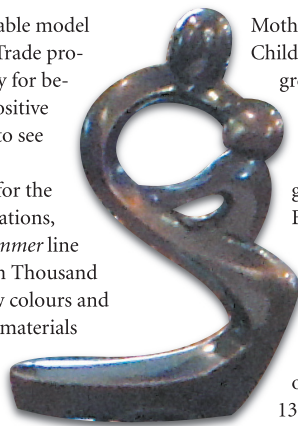
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Just in time for the Fair Trade celebrations, a new *Simply Summer* line has arrived at Ten Thousand Villages. Hot new colours and unique, recycled materials are featured in a collection for the home, garden and patio. New garden lanterns, candle holders, planters, and even a lemonade set made

from recycled glass are perfect for the summertime backyard. And since Mother's Day is this weekend as well, the new bronze finish sculptures of



Mother and Child are a great way to celebrate two special days together! Every product at Ten Thousand Villages is made by one of over 130 artisan groups in 36

developing countries. For example, the new mother and child sculptures are produced by a cooperative in India called Noah's Ark. This group also produces art pieces made from recycled bicycle chain. At the cooperative, 300 artisans work together. Most are women who can work from home while still maintaining responsibilities of children and household. The co-op group provides free nutrition, medical services and basic education to artisans and their families. A purchase of their

mother's day sculpture would thrill a mom here in Canada and help mothers in India to live with dignity.



Each item in the store comes from an artisan group with a similar story of justice and dignity behind it. That means 130 wonderful reasons to celebrate World Fair Trade this Saturday, May 9.



Featured items:

(Top) Mother & Child Sculpture, India, \$60. (Left) Pitcher from recycled glass and palm fibre, Bangladesh, \$25. Set of 4 glasses, \$20. Capiz shell tealight holders, Philippines, \$25. Set of three summer colour baskets, Vietnam, \$24. (Right) Photo frames from recycled bicycle chain, India, \$34. (Below) Djembe drums, Burkina Faso, \$400 and \$240.



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Tackling the raccoons

HomeScape

Sylvia Putz

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I have a problem convincing anybody that I'm the boss around here. As if it wasn't bad enough with my pubescent children challenging my hegemony daily, the neighbourhood raccoons have decided to up the ante.

Clapping, hissing, or stamping of feet was traditionally sufficient to give Rosie Raccoon and her brood the message, and send the little family scur-

rying. But this year it's different. The other night, it was I who was marooned on the sidewalk while a posse of raccoons stared me down from my own porch.

After I discovered that the usual routine made next to no impression in persuading them to leave, I wondered whether I would have to do a "bluff" charge, like a bear? As I contemplated my next course of action, they yawned (what a bore I was), and slowly and disinterestedly made their way up the eaves trough and lumbered leisurely across my neighbour's roof without a backward glance.

And now that the raccoons have got me pegged, the gang comes



Be sure to lock up your garbage.

back regularly with their buddies in tow. And they're all equally disrespectful.

The fault is ultimately mine, of course. I used to have a little shed to house my garbage, but it's been demolished as part of a landscaping plan, so my temporary garbage and composting solution is like a dinner bell to the

raccoons.

The raccoons are only doing what they need to do, but all the same, they're the guests from hell. They make a huge mess, plus they take their washroom breaks in your backyard. And this is no laughing matter since raccoon wastes can make people, particularly young children who play in the dirt or a backyard sandbox, ill.

Rule number one is make your garbage inaccessible to the raccoons. Put it in a shed and put a lock or good-quality closure on the shed door. Raccoons can be quite clever and can figure out pretty quickly how to open door closure systems.

At the very least, get a tight fitting lid or use bungee cords or latches, buckles or other attachments to secure the lid of garbage and compost containers tightly. Some also hang the compost on a hook a couple of inches above the ground to thwart raccoons who have discovered that knocking over a compost container can pop open the clasp.

And remember to take the garbage out to the curb with cords removed and buckles unfastened on the morning of pickup, not the night before.

Whatever obstacles you put in their way, raccoons can demonstrate some pretty determined behaviour. They can gnaw through plastic garbage cans to get at their dinner, and they won't leave until you make it clear that they will no longer be invited. You can be the boss, but let me assure you, those wily raccoons will make you work for it.

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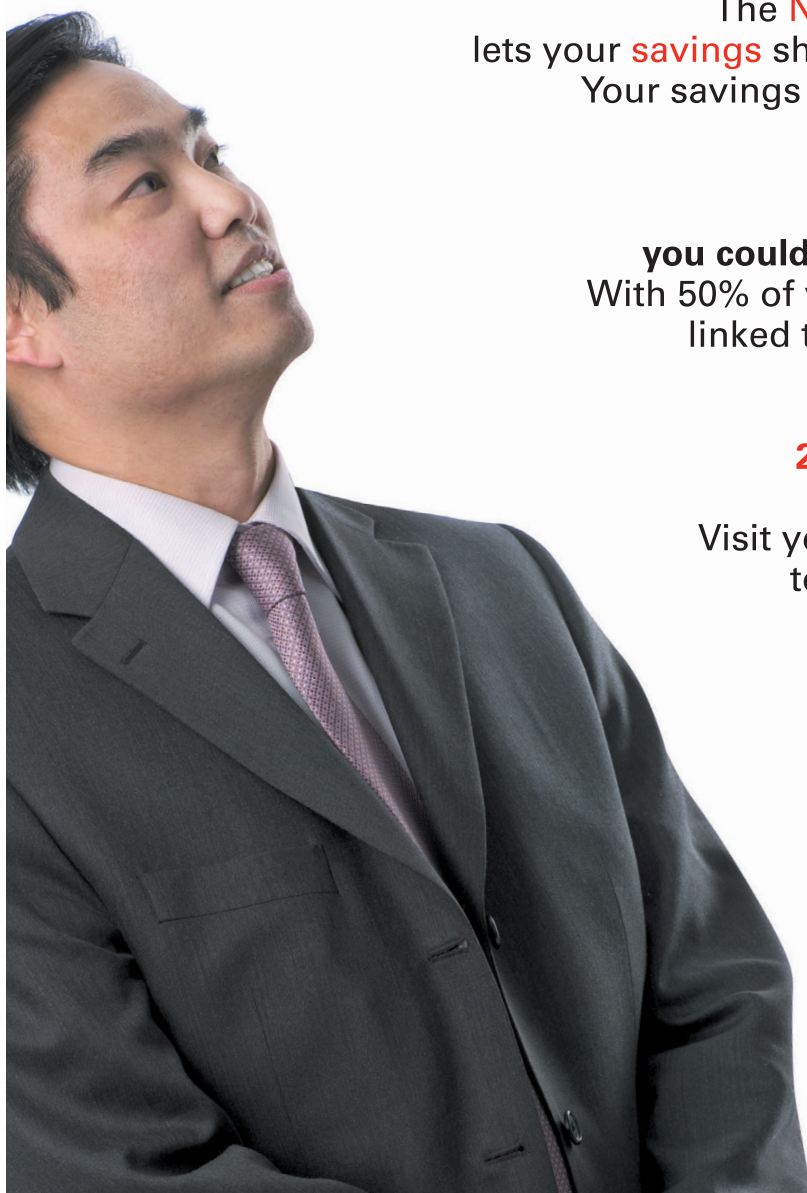
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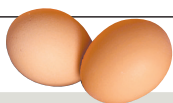
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Pass on green

Avoid lemons tinted with green as they will be tart with less flavour.

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Lemon sunshine for Mom

À la carte

Barb Holland

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Not all desserts have to be rich. Inspire your family and treat mom this Mother's Day with a light, luscious, healthy dessert. This baked lemon pudding is just one recipe from a new booklet from the Egg Farmers of Canada. More recipes are available at eggs.ab.ca.

Lemon Pudding Paradise

Lemon is one of my favourite flavours when it comes to desserts — light and refreshing for a per-

fect ending to a meal. This pudding cake (a light cake on top of a lemony custard) can be served warm or cold, so it can be made ahead. Makes 4 servings.

INGREDIENTS:

- 3 eggs, separated
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) sugar
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) all-purpose flour
- Pinch salt
- 2 tsp (10 ml) grated lemon zest
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) fresh lemon juice (2 lemons)
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) butter, melted
- 3/4 cup (175 ml) milk
- Icing sugar, optional

METHOD:

Preheat oven to 350°F (180°C). Butter a 4 cup (1 L) baking dish.

Beat egg whites in a



Treat your mom with a light lemon pudding.

large bowl until stiff but not dry.

In a separate bowl, stir together sugar, flour and salt. Whisk in lemon zest, lemon juice, butter, milk and egg yolks. Gently fold whipped whites into lemon mixture. Pour into baking dish. Place baking dish in a shallow pan of hot water so that the water

rises 1 inch (2.5 cm) up the sides of the baking dish. Bake until top is lightly browned, about 30 to 40 minutes. Serve warm or cold.

Serve with a dusting of icing sugar, if desired.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

Liquid Assets

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Chile chillin'

just got back from South America and boy is my palate tired. Two weeks of sniffing and spitting some of the best liquid Chilean and Argentinean wine makers can muster certainly takes its toll.

Of the two countries, Chile offered the most surprises. Long considered an excellent table wine producer, many consumers are still unaware of the value that can be had if they just drink past the bulk.

The wines from Santa Rita and Carmen are great examples that over-deliver in the glass. Located next door to each other the sister wineries are two of the Maipo Valley's best. Their beef-friendly 2005 Medalla Real Cabernet Sauvignon (\$19.95 - \$25.99) was a standout. Cabernet is Chile's flagship grape and this version is layered with earthy black fruit, ripe tannins and chewy vanilla oak.

For a match with fresh white fish (a Chilean favourite) try Carmen's 2008 Sauvignon Blanc (\$10.90 - \$13.99). Clean, crisp and lightly fruity, it's representative of the modern personality that is becoming the hallmark of Chilean wines.

Prices reflect the range across the country. Some products may not be available in all provinces.

Peter Rockwell is the everyday wine writer, working in the liquor industry for more than 25 years and travelling the globe looking for something to fill his glass and put into words.



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Pardon me — it means what?

For a taste of Mexican history, dip into some Guacamole. This classic dish dates all the way back to the Aztecs and the name is derived from the Aztec word *ahuacatl*, meaning avocado or testicle (a reference to the fruit's suggestive shape), and the word *mulli*, meaning sauce. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Client negotiations: No

Lunch w/co-workers: Yes

Social Lunch: Yes

Quick solo lunch: No

Time in: 12:30 p.m.

Ordered: 12:50 p.m.

Food arrived: 1:05 p.m.

Time out: 1:40 p.m.

Total time: 1 hour, 10 minutes

Low \$: House root slaw, \$3

High \$: Large Mac and Cheese, \$13

Lunch menu: Same as dinner menu, specials

Licensed: Yes

Farm. The name evokes images of an earthy, down home ode to the simple life. The restaurant is not quite so, but not too far from that either. Owned by Janice Beaton, whose cheeses are well known in Calgary as some of the most meticulously sourced and unique in the city, the dishes at Farm incorporate fresh local ingredients.

My friend Megan and I are seated at the bar area of the busy little restaurant, where we have a great view of the cooks working away in the kitchen. We start by ordering off of their cheese and meat menu — three selections for \$15. We choose a gouda, a stilton and the prosciutto (from Valballa, in Alberta). The blue cheese was delicious, but the prosciutto basically tasted like smoked Canadian ham without any Italian flavour.

I was also disappointed that most of the cheese selections on the list were from either Canada or Holland, especially since the Janice Beaton cheese shop imports cheeses from all



A dish at Farm.

over Europe and the world.

For my main, I ordered the JBFC's famous goat fritter salad (\$12) which came with young spinach, shaved fennel and local beets.

While the dish was colourful, it was also assaulting to the palate and the dressing's fennel and garlic combination was overpowering. The "fritter" was a goat cheese patty covered with breadcrumbs, and did not do much to compliment the dish. Megan went with the salad that was on special that day, which had a mild yogurt-based dressing, and was much happier with her selection.

The atmosphere is comfy, eclectic and inviting, and Farm's French press coffee is delicious.

French food made elegantly easy

COOKBOOK Laura Calder, host of Food Network Canada's French Food at Home, is determined to show that French food can be far easier and lighter than it's reputation as a rich, complicated cuisine.

Metro got a hold of this wonderfully simple recipe from her book French Taste (HarperCollins Canada) that delights the eyes as much as the palate.

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Accordion Potatoes

A woman I once cooked with in the south of France taught me this method for potatoes, and I still love to make them when I'm in the mood for a little fun. All you do is slice potatoes, without cutting through all the way, so that the slices remain hinged at the bottom. When the potatoes bake, the slices get crisp and golden, fanning



Accordion Potatoes from French Taste by Laura Calder.

out slightly like leaves in a book, like a jewelry box for rings, like the folds of a gypsy's accordion ... However you want to think of them, they're awfully cute. Makes 4 servings.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 pounds (900 g) medium-small potatoes, such as Yukon Gold or red potatoes
- Bay leaves and thyme sprigs
- Salt and pepper
- 2 tablespoons (30 ml) olive oil
- 2 tablespoons (30 ml) melted butter

METHOD:

Heat the oven to 375°F (190°C). Cut the potatoes crosswise, as for hard-cooked eggs, into slices no thicker than your finger, but cut only about three-quarters of the way through.

Lay the herbs between a few of the folds. Arrange the potatoes on a baking sheet, and season with salt and pepper. Drizzle with oil and melted butter, and bake until golden and crisp on the outside and soft inside, 45 minutes to an hour.

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Star turn

Jill Hennessy enjoys the Lymelife in her first silver-screen breakout role

By LAURA DECARUFEL
Senior Editor

Wearing ripped jeans and an Indigo Girls T-shirt, Jill Hennessy used to sit outside Toronto's Bathurst subway station with her guitar and a honey jar half-filled with loose change. "I did a lot of Tracy Chapman, Bob Dylan and Bruce Springsteen," she remembers with a laugh. "I didn't think that acting was going to pan out, to be honest. I'd think 'Who's gonna hire me?'"

Twenty years later, the answer is as clear as the steely-eyed gaze Hennessy adopted to such effect in her most popular TV roles: Claire Kincaid, the assistant DA, on *Law & Order*,

and Dr. Jordan Cavanaugh, a medical examiner with a talent for crime-solving, on *Crossing Jordan*.

Hennessy's latest star turn is in *Lymelife*, a movie about adultery, teenage angst and (yes) Lyme disease set in 1970s Long Island. Helmed by first-time director Derick Martini, it boasts an A-list pedigree: actors Alec Baldwin, Cynthia Nixon, Timothy Hutton, Emma Roberts and Kieran and Rory Culkin and executive producer Martin Scorsese.

"It was a huge responsibility and also a joy," she says of her role as the family matriarch. "Kieran and Rory [who play her sons] remind me of my family—I felt like I'd known them for ages." Her husband is played by Alec Baldwin, whom Hennessy calls "one of the funniest people alive."

Read more in the May issue of ELLE Canada!

Editors' Pick

CRIMSON TIDE

A lipstick touch-up feels like a covert op with Rouge G de Guerlain. Designed by jeweller Lorenz Bäumer—whom Louis Vuitton also tapped to create baubles for its fall 2009 collection—the sleek *objet* hides a mirrored compact, and the formula boasts ruby powder and wild mango butter for amped-up shine and hydration.



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Grenade (\$48)



Paula Abdul, who recently denied ever taking prescription painkillers on ABC's *Nightline*, opens up about her past drug use to *Ladies' Home Journal*. "I could have killed myself," the *American Idol* judge says about the extent of her painkiller abuse. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

Celebrity Buzz

Lindsay's bad influence on Ali

SISTER, SISTER Lindsay Lohan has been flirting dangerously with her past partying ways since her split from Samantha Ronson, and now it looks like she might be taking her sister, Ali Lohan, down with her.

Lindsay has reportedly been bringing Ali with her to parties around L.A., including a recent bash at the Roosevelt Hotel, where Lindsay was wary of photographers.

"Lindsay was definitely in party mode, but didn't want anyone seeing her drink," a source tells *Page Six*. Lindsay also recently brought 15-year-old Ali to 21-and-over club MyHouse, where the manager had to ask her to leave twice before she was escorted out.

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Give me the kid, or else?

EXACTING REVENGE? Celebrity status may not let Madonna bag herself a new child, but she's launching a campaign to help single mothers adopt children from foreign countries, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The website adds it seemed a "little bit threatening" when Madge said she'll only launch the campaign if Malawi officials block her bid to take home three-year-old Mercy James.

The pop star tried to adopt Mercy last month

but her bid was turned down on the grounds that prospective parents have to be residents for 18 to 24 months prior to adoption.

Madonna, who previously adopted son David from Malawi in 2006, appealed the ruling and now her lawyers are



preparing to fight for their client's right to adopt in the African nation.

A source tells *The Sun* newspaper, "If she fails on the grounds of her divorce she will be absolutely livid. She is already talking about starting a campaign for single moms to be allowed to adopt the world over."

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Do as I say, not as I do: Palin

SET AN EXAMPLE Bristol Palin promoted sexual abstinence in appearances Wednesday on ABC's *Good Morning America* and NBC's *Today* — prompting interviewers to question how she can preach something she obviously didn't practise, people.com reports.

While declining to discuss

what methods of birth control she might have used, Palin, 18, told ABC's Christopher Cuomo, "Regardless of what I did personally, I just think that abstinence is the only ... 100 per cent foolproof way to prevent pregnancy," but acknowledged abstinence is "difficult."

To NBC's Matt Lauer, who asked about the mixed message she was sending teens while holding her sleeping son, Tripp, in her

arms, Palin said, "I'm just here trying to tell teens this is a really hard job."

The appearances were part of Palin's new role as the Candie's Foundation's teen ambassador to raise awareness about the consequences of teen pregnancy.

When asked about claims her family would not allow Palin's former fiancé and father of her child, Levi Johnston, to be alone with his son, Palin shied away from talking about her "personal life" but did say, "I'd love Levi to be part of (Tripp's) life."

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Volturi hit Vancouver

FAN-DEMONIUM Look out, trouble is in town. The Volturi (a vampire clan in the book) cast of *New Moon* has swooped into Vancouver to start shooting scenes in the highly anticipated *Twilight* sequel, people.com reports.

Dakota Fanning, who is set to play Jane, a sinister vampire with an angelic exterior, arrived Tuesday. Immediately thrust into the fan-demonium, she happily signed photos and posed for pictures outside her

hotel before doing some sightseeing and grabbing a bite to eat.

Michael Sheen (Aro) and Jamie Campbell-Bower (Caius) arrived a couple hours earlier, and the evil immortals had costume fittings all day.

In Vancouver to film their interior scenes — they'll be shooting exteriors in Italy later this month — the trio are staying at the same hotel as co-star Kristen Stewart and Selena Gomez, who is there shooting *Beethoven's 2nd* and *Ramona*.

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Kiefer gets rowdy

BAD BEHAVIOUR Kiefer Sutherland rose to Brooke Shields' defence Tuesday morning in downtown Manhattan — though she didn't particularly request it, and the interloper allegedly suffered a broken nose from the 24 star, according to reports.

New York's *Daily News* reports that Proenza Schouler womenswear designer Jack McCollough — a friend of Shields — interrupted her and Sutherland while they were speaking outside the SoHo nightspot SubMercer at 2 a.m. An agitated Sutherland then allegedly head-butted McCollough after the two men exchanged words.

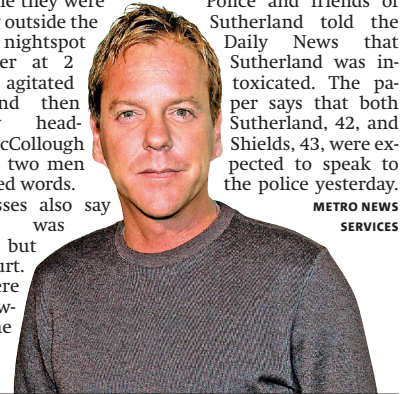
Witnesses also say Shields was shoved but not hurt. All were out following the Met's Costume

Institute Gala. A rep for Shields said, "Nothing happened to her ... Jack did nothing inappropriate. It's not clear what caused Kiefer to do what he did," the rep told *tmz.com*.

McCollough told authorities that Sutherland "was drunk and obnoxious and wouldn't back down or be logical," and that the actor "pulled this stupid wrestling move like a teenager" before the headbutt.

Police and friends of Sutherland told the *Daily News* that Sutherland was intoxicated. The paper says that both Sutherland, 42, and Shields, 43, were expected to speak to the police yesterday.

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Fiddy a Gossip Girl fan?

CELEBRITY FAN 50 Cent watched *Gossip Girl* to prepare for his new movie role, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The rapper — real name Curtis Jackson — tuned into several episodes of the teen drama because he is set to appear with its star Chace Crawford in forthcoming movie *Twelve*.

He said: "I got a chance to see it. It's cool just to be in the presence of talented artists."

In the movie, 50 plays drug dealer Lionel and says the role was "exciting," while Crawford plays the lead role as a high school dropout and drug dealer named White Mike.

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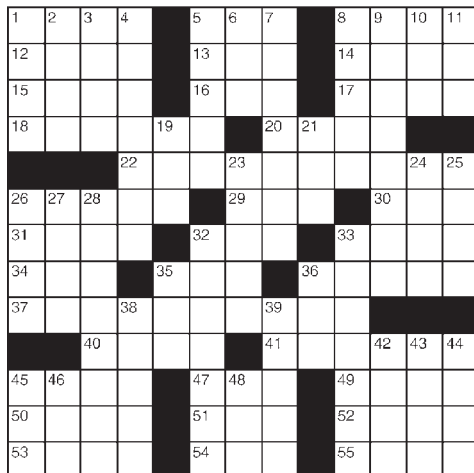


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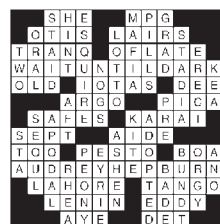
Crossword across

- 1 Dogfight participants
- 5 Energy
- 8 In the neighborhood
- 12 Ancient mariner
- 13 Courtroom pseudonym
- 14 Wheelbase terminus
- 15 Houston acronym
- 16 Joined at the hip
- 17 Couple, in a gossip column
- 18 Crowd scene actors
- 20 Sport
- 22 Pseudo-claimants to the throne
- 26 Diamond side
- 29 Scarlet
- 30 Wrestling surface
- 31 Black, to Browning?
- 32 Gravy, on a French menu
- 33 Challenge
- 34 Announcer Pardo
- 35 Payable
- 36 Tend the turkey
- 37 Larry King trademark
- 40 Sty cry
- 41 Inventor's insurance
- 45 Walk unevenly
- 47 Id counterpart
- 49 Largest of the seven
- 50 Wile E.'s supplier
- 51 Wage earner's burden
- 52 Poolroom prop
- 53 Honey bunch?
- 54 Bond, for one
- 55 Fist (Sl.)

Crossword down

- 1 Hathaway or Heche
- 2 Wheedle
- 3 Right on the map?
- 4 Hone
- 5 Everyday writing
- 6 A billion years
- 7 Diminutive ones
- 8 Water nymph
- 9 Maximums
- 10 Pub order
- 11 Sleep phenom
- 19 Illustrations
- 21 Remnant
- 23 Aligned
- 24 Huck's transport
- 25 Eyelid woe
- 26 Govt. workers
- 27 "— ben Adhem"
- 28 Clear soup
- 32 Politicos' trips
- 33 Treacherous one
- 35 Lair
- 36 Support of a sort
- 38 They're calling Danny Boy
- 39 Strong adhesive
- 42 Birthright barterer
- 43 Shaving mishap
- 44 Snatch
- 45 Retriever type
- 46 Lemieux milieu
- 48 Diastema

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



1	7	9	5	4	8	6	3	2
3	2	8	6	1	7	5	4	9
5	4	6	9	3	2	7	8	1
9	5	7	8	6	3	1	2	4
4	8	2	7	9	1	3	6	5
6	3	1	2	5	4	9	7	8
7	9	3	4	2	5	8	1	6
2	1	5	3	8	6	4	9	7
8	6	4	1	7	9	2	5	3

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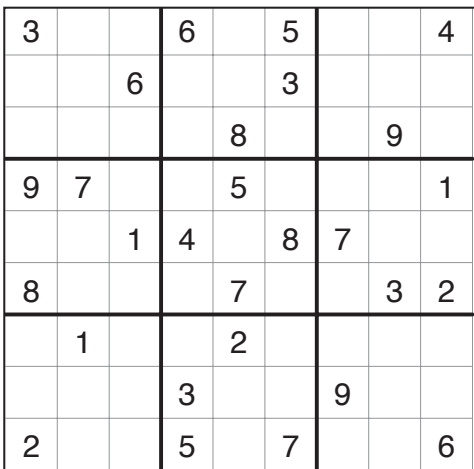
SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 minGenius	17-21 minSmart
13-17 minScholar	21-25 minNot bad
		25+ minKeep practising

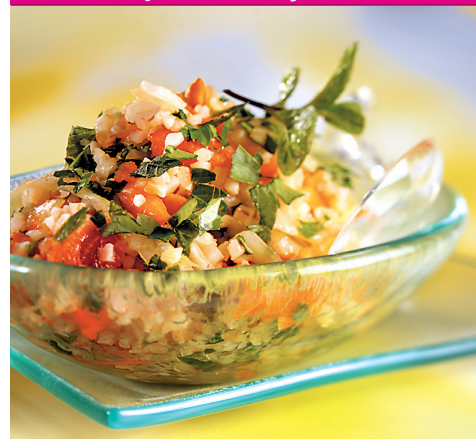
Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



Metro Recipe of the Day



Bulgur Salad

INGREDIENTS:

- 3/4 cup (175 ml) bulgur
- 2 large tomatoes
- 1/2 cucumber, peeled and coarsely grated
- 1 carrot, peeled and grated
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) finely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 10 fresh mint leaves, chopped
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice
- sprig of fresh mint to garnish

DRESSING:

- 1/3 cup olive oil
- 1 1/2 tbsp (20 ml) wine vinegar
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- salt and freshly ground black pepper

METHOD:

1. Tip bulgur into heatproof bowl, pour in 1 1/4 cups (300 ml) boiling water, cover and leave soak 20 minutes, or until most of water is absorbed. Tip into sieve to drain off excess water.
2. Scald the tomatoes in a

- bowl of boiling water, 30 seconds. Drain, then refresh under cold running water. Peel off skins, then scoop out seeds and dice flesh.
3. Mix tomato flesh with cucumber and carrot. Rub bulgur between fingers to separate grains, add to vegetables with herbs and toss. Sprinkle with lemon juice.
4. For dressing, put oil, vinegar, garlic and seasoning into jar and shake well. Pour dressing over the salad and toss gently. Cover with plastic wrap and chill 3 hours before serving. Garnish with sprig of fresh mint.

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Horoscopes

ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20



A delayed message will startle you. Don't explode at the slightest provocation. A traveler tells a secret about the blues.

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23



Stop thinking about obeying outrageous demands. Hold your tongue to please a finicky person. A magical man is too honest.

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21



An announcement will be noted. Fly into action guided by your intuition. A lover is hungering for good-natured adventures.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22



A creative person is awkward before a discussion. Give credit to a meek man. A vengeful individual has to save someone.

GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21



Someone will rule with a velvet fist. A friend behaves in an abnormal manner. Call a cheerful woman for peace of mind.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21



Find some understanding from a laid-back friend. Run the risk of being seen paying attention. A job should be finished by now.

CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22



People want you to get with the program. You'll be forced to make a choice. A strong conviction determines what is really important.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20



Messy stairs inspire someone to take a tumble. A significant injury has been concealed. A cynical person is moving ahead in love.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23



Be ready to concede when tension breaks out. Guard against seasonal ailments. A newcomer's breakthrough saves you from a dull job.

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18



Mental activity will increase your fun. Changes are opportunities for a new way of life. Someone needs time alone to plan some hanky-panky.

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22



Don't tell a grouch any confidential stories. You'll be teased about a change of plans. Banal moments will put you in an awkward position.

PISCES FEB 19-MARCH 20



Don't lift anything heavy without help. An associate may not be trustworthy. A good person makes an exciting move.

SAY "I DO" TO LINGERIE

BRA SIZE 30 - 46 BAND | AA - J CUP

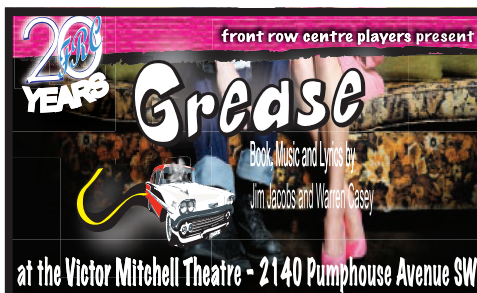
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